Plan for rural and urban areas

†1115. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that during the year 2005-06 and 2006-07, the Centre funded schemes for the development of rural and urban areas have been implemented;

(b) if so, the number of such schemes and the amount allotted for the implementation of these schemes each year;

(c) whether Government have any proposal to make reduction in these projects; and

(d) if so, the outline of the proposal and what is the need for consideration over this proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN): (a) and (b) The details of schemes for the development of rural and urban areas implemented during 2005-06 and 2006-07 are available in the Outcome Budget and Performance Budget documents pertaining to 2005-06 and 2006-07 of the Ministries/ Departments.

(c) and (d) Some Plan Schemes are discontinued on the basis of Zero Based Budgeting (ZBB) exercise and rationalization of Plan Schemes during the course of a Plan. The primary purpose of ZBB exercise is to ensure convergence, efficiency and efficacy of schemes according to Plan priorities and targets and also the use of available resources in the most judicious and economically efficient manner.

Development of infrastructure

†1116. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a need to develop the infrastructural facilities in the country to get more than 8 per cent growth rate in the country in the coming years;

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